

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 02-09-24**

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For Work Week Commencing: September 23, 2002
Business Meeting: September 24, 2002, 9:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at <http://www.psc.state.mt.us>.

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Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. City of Missoula - To Consider Communication to the City of Missoula

Other Meetings

1:30 Forum on Electric Restructuring Issues September 26, 2002 – Bollinger Room in Helena

Weekly Scheduling Meeting – Will be held at 8:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Qwest Communications N2002.9.107 (Scott)

On August 27, 2002, Qwest filed tariff transmittal 02-23, Business Product Save Offer Promotion. Business customers who request to have one or more products such as Flat business lines, Qwest Business line plus, Business CustomChoice, Hunting Service, Call Forwarding-busy line/Don't answer, and Market Expansion line, and after having been informed of the

products benefit, may be offered a 25 percent product discount for the next three months in the form of a credit(s) to their next three bills, if they agree to retain the product(s). The promotional period is scheduled to run from September 23, 2002 through December 21, 2002.

2. Qwest Communications N2002.9.106 (Scott)

On August 30, 2002, Qwest filed tariff transmittal 02-25, Expanded Business CustomChoice. This filing is designed to expand the Business Basic Exchange product line by introducing one, two, and three year rate stabilized terms for CustomChoice for business, and by allowing the purchase of Qwest Utility line in conjunction with rate stabilized Business CustomChoice. In addition, the 3-line restriction has been removed so that customers will not be limited by the number of Business CustomChoice lines they can purchase. Qwest is requesting an October 1, 2002 effective date for this expanded service.

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1. Qwest Communications, N2002.9.117 (Scott)

On September 12, 2002, Qwest filed tariff transmittal 02-28. Qwest is requesting a promotion for customers subscribing to Advanced Digital Switched Service (DSS), ISDN Primary Rate Service (PRS), or Uniform Access Solution (USA) will have a 36 month contract option available with the DSS and UAS options priced at \$855 per month and ISDN PRS at \$995 per month. This promotion is only available where it is technically feasible to provide services and where facilities are available. Contracts must be signed by January 10, 2003, and the customer requested installation date may be no later than March 10, 2003. The promotional period is scheduled to run from October 14, 2002 through January 10, 2003.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 02-10-01

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2002.9.116 – Energy West – Monthly Gas Cost Tracking Application

N2002.9.117 – Qwest – TT 02-28 – DSS, UAS, ISDN, PRS Promotion

N2002.9.118 – Qwest – TT 02-AC05 – Introduction of Managed Long Distance Service